

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0013] with the following amended paragraph:

[0013] Figure 1 illustrates an oil filler device 1A for lubricating oil of an internal-combustion engine, which engine is not shown here in detail. An oil filler device ~~1a-~~ 1A comprises a filler neck 1B and a closing lid 1C which can be fitted onto the neck 1B for closing its oil filler opening 1D. The oil filler opening 1D is surrounded by a mouth edge 2 which is constructed at the end 3 of the tube-shaped neck ~~1b~~ 1B which may originate from a cylinder head cover of the internal-combustion engine. The oil filler opening 1D is closed by means of the closing lid ~~1c~~ 1C which is fitted onto the filler neck 1B and is fastened there by means of a fastening device. This fastening device, which is not shown here, may, for example, be formed by an external thread mounted on the oil filler neck and by an internal thread correspondingly mounted on the closing lid. As an alternative, a bayonet catch or another snap-in locking device or clamping lock or the like may be provided.

Please replace paragraph [0015] with the following amended paragraph:

[0015] In the embodiment shown, the centering element 12 is constructed as a hollow centering ring which is fitted by means of its central ring opening 13 on the tube-shaped fastening section 11 which therefore reaches through the centering element 12. The centering ring is equipped, for example, in a double-walled manner with two mutually spaced and parallel ring walls 14 and 15 which may be connected by way of a base 16 on their end facing away from the bottom 5, so that the centering ring is implemented as having a U-profile in its cross-section, whose profile legs are formed by the ring walls 14 and 15 and are connected by way of the base, which base 16 extends at a distance from the bottom 5 which therefore closes off the U-profile. By means of its exterior

circumferential surface 14', the ring wall 14 rests flatly, optionally sealingly, against the inner wall 19' of the neck 1B; the interior circumferential surface 15' of the inner ring wall 15 is flatly, optionally sealingly, in contact with the exterior surface 23 of the fastening section 11. The centering element 12 is preferably constructed in one piece as a plastic part. Furthermore, a surrounding ring collar 17A is constructed on the centering element 12, which ring collar 17A extends from the base 16 away from the bottom 5 and forms an extension of the ring wall 15 and its surface 15'. The ring collar 17A extends, for example, coaxially to the fastening section 11. On its exterior side 18, the ring collar 17A may be constructed to be conically tapering in the direction of its free end 17B in order to facilitate a placing of the covering lid 1C onto the filler neck 1B. The free end 17B of the ring collar 17A preferably projects beyond the wall 6 of the cap 4. When the closing lid 1C is placed onto the filler neck 1B, the tube wall 19 of the neck 1b comes to be situated by means of the mouth edge 2 on the end 3 between the exterior side 18 of the centering ring element 12 and the sealing device 8. When the lid 1C is fitted on, the mouth edge 2 may rest against the bottom and/or may engage in a groove 5' extending in a surrounding manner on the bottom 5.